

OFFERED 'VAMP'
JOBS, THEY SAYGirls Tell of Proposition to
Pay Them \$50 A Day
In Juarez.

Fred Caldwell was arraigned Friday evening before United States Commissioner A. J. W. Schmidt, charged with a conspiracy to persuade two girls to go to Juarez to work in a saloon. He waived preliminary hearing and is held for the federal grand jury. He gave bond of \$1000.

Caldwell is a confederate with Tony Bernier, Jim Murphy and Frank Johnson, who were given an arraignment some time ago.

The girls testified that the men wanted them to work as "professional vamps" and offered them \$50 a day.

DeKlye Smith, "The Dinnerware House," store near crossings until Christmas. 187-193 N. Stanton St.—Adv.

Shades and Air Riffles.
Allen Arms & Cycle Co.—Adv.

A NOVEL GIFT

As a last minute suggestion we call your attention to the fact that you will find here many gifts of more than ordinary merit.



Lorgnettes

The Lorgnette will make one of the most appreciated gifts you can possibly find. We show these in several styles.

We mention:

- 14 karat Lorgnettes
- Sterling Silver Lorgnettes
- 14 karat white gold, folding
- oxfords
- 14 karat yellow gold folding
- oxfords
- Something entirely new is the combination shopping oxford Lorgnette. These come in 14 karat and Oxidized gold. These can be used either as a Lorgnette or temporary glasses.

Watch for the interesting
announcement we will
make at an early date.

EL PASO OPTICAL CO.

Now at 108 Texas Street in the Middle of the Block
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WHAT SHALL WE GET FOR MOTHER?

May we break into the family discussion and make a suggestion?

Why not get mother some nice new linen—a fine table cloth, a dozen dinner napkins, or perhaps some new sheets and pillow cases, hand towels, bath towels, etc.

You never knew a woman who had too much linen or who doesn't grow pleased and excited over a gift of this kind.

Then, too, linen is a practical gift, with all the pleasing features of the more sentimental one.

A plentiful supply of linen also allows for more frequent changes. And frequent changes and a little rest once in a while prolongs the life of linen the same as it does clothes, shoes, suits and other garments.

Get the finest quality, of course, for it is far cheaper in the long run. No one knows this better than we who launder all kinds of good, bad and indifferent fabrics.

Just one other suggestion. See that mother doesn't bother with the washing of this new linen—either to do it herself or to have it done.

We do family flat work, and for that matter, entire family washing, beautifully, and at a rate which, all things considered, is lower in cost.

We trust our suggestion for mother is not out of place, and that you will all have the best kind of a "Merry Christmas."

EL PASO LAUNDRY CO., Inc.

901-9 South Santa Fe Street

PHONE 470

Ask State Aid
Money Be Split
On 3 Highways

County Commissioners to
Consider Request at the
Meeting Tuesday.

County commissioners will likely consider the request of the city planning commission to distribute proportionately state aid money in construction of three highways when they meet at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The tax and economy committee of the city planning commission at a meeting Friday night decided to put this request before the commissioners. The highways under consideration are Fabena, to the east county line, San Elizario to Socorro and El Paso to Newman.

The tax and economy committee also recommended the newly voted bonds be sold for cash to persons disinterested in bond building and that the bonds not be given any contractor as payment for road work.

BILL GIVES ERIN
POWER TO RULE

Proposed Measure of Lloyd
George Grants Ireland
Right to Guide Destiny.

London, Eng., Dec. 20.—The proposed Irish bill which premier Lloyd George will outline in the house of commons on Monday will, it is believed, forecast a government for Ireland analogous to the state government of the United States. It is understood that the bill will be modified somewhat within the next week, but will be introduced in the house of commons during the remainder of the winter.

All bodies are to be responsible regarding imperial affairs to the British parliament, to which representatives would be elected as the states elect members to the American house of representatives. The idea will be to give a large amount of autonomy to each section of Ireland, with thorough easy machinery provided for their combination as soon as they desire to unite. The bill being introduced to pave the road for elimination of the idea of Ireland's partition.

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News Brevities

LOCAL AND GENERAL
(Advertisements)

Train Bulletin.
Texas & Pacific train No. 1, due at 1:45 p. m., was scheduled to arrive at El Paso at 1:45 p. m. and was scheduled to leave at 2:30 p. m. All other afternoon and night trains were reported on time.

Still Conserve Fuel.
Despite the end of the coal strike and conservation measures are still in effect at Fort Bliss, according to information from the quartermaster's office. It is reported that the fuel will be modified somewhat within the next week, but will be introduced in the house of commons during the remainder of the winter.

Dr. Ebert, Dentist, 218 Mills Bldg.

Aviation Aid Goes East.
Following an extended inspection trip of subdivisions in Texas, Arizona and New Mexico, Lieut. G. M. Pond, aviation instructor at the local flying school, returned Friday to El Paso. He left Saturday for Boston, Mass., to spend the Christmas holidays.

Returns to Duty.
Ford Slough, chief water tender attached to the navy recruiting station here, returned to duty Friday, after an absence necessitated by the illness of his wife at Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Slough returned with him.

Dr. Anna Neum, Buckner Bldg. Ph. 577.

Auto Driver Smashes Window.
A window of the Victor hat store was smashed Friday evening, when W. D. Brown, 312 Magoffin avenue, drove his automobile into it. He reported the accident to the police, but no arrests were made.

Dr. N. T. Moore, diseases of women and chronic diseases, 407 Martin Bldg.

Boys to Act as Traffic Cops.
Boy Scouts are to act as traffic officers next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, in order to assist the police in caring for the Christmas traffic rush. They will be stationed where the regular traffic men formerly were, and these officers will be released for other duties.

New Mexico Examiner Here.
J. R. Head, state bank examiner of

**CHARGES CONGRESSMEN
WITH FALSE STATEMENT**
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circumstances I never made the statement which he has put on the record.

Palmer Stands Firm.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Attorney general Palmer told a senate committee Friday a full story of his own and the general government's action in connection with the strike of bituminous coal miners, concluding his testimony with the declaration that the "firm, strong hand of the government" finally forced the miners to yield.

Alfred M. Ogilvie, chairman of the executive committee of the Bituminous Coal Operators' association, told the committee that Mr. Palmer endorsed on Friday, Dec. 5, to induce the operators to accept a plan with the miners on a basis of more than the 14 percent wage increase suggested in the miners' demands. He said that the government's action was a "terrible industrial situation."

"We realized," said Ogilvie, "that we considered the proposal a cowardly, distinctly surrender of the rights of the public and the government. We consider a compromise of principles far more important than any question of the wages of miners, or our own profits as operators of coal mines. We thought it a question of the maintenance of law and order in the United States."

The operators' chairman refused to divulge details which first got on the stand, but finally told his story after getting permission to consult his attorney, Rhoad Butler, who was also called as a witness.

Dr. Garfield's plan of settlement in the nationwide coal strike was regarded as "a real step toward the further increase" by striking miners, according to a circular read by senator Townsend during the senate investigation of the strike. The government plan was held as offering a "bright prospect."

Senator Frelinghuysen read a transcript of Dr. Garfield's testimony before the committee which the former fuel administrator said the plan adopted differed fundamentally from the one he proposed.

"I've never been able to see any difference," Mr. Palmer said, "except that Dr. Garfield calls his commission a 'conciliation' and our agreement calls it a 'commission'."

By what authority could your commission fix wages? senator Townsend asked.

Wages Fixed by Agreement.
"Only by agreement of operators and miners agreeing to follow the commission's findings in a new wage agreement," Mr. Palmer said.

"This commission has no power to make a wage contract which you can enforce," senator Townsend asked.

Mr. Palmer acquiesced.

Senator Townsend read newspaper reports of statements made by Alexander Howat, president of the miners' district union to the effect that promises had been made by the government to Lewis and Green under which the miners would get more than a 14 percent increase.

"I want to know if you ever offered any inducement to the union officials for a settlement of the strike, which is not named in the memorandum of agreement," he said.

"Absolutely none," Mr. Palmer returned.

"Nothing was said as to the men who were going on the commission created under it," senator Townsend persisted.

"Nothing except they were to be the biggest and broadest men we could get," Mr. Palmer replied. He added that he had no idea who would be named on the commission.

Palmer Denies Feinting Agreement.
Mr. Palmer said in reply of questions that he had telegraphed the president from Indianapolis nothing but the text of the memorandum of agreement.

"Is everything included in that memorandum?" senator Townsend asked. "Which Lewis and Green expected to benefit the miners in this settlement?"

"Of course I don't know what they expect," Mr. Palmer said, "but everything is there that the government has agreed to."

Replying to a question by senator Townsend as to whether "any inducement" had been offered, Green explained which was not named in the memorandum of the settlement agreement.

"Absolutely none," he added that nothing had been said as to the men to constitute the commission except that they were to be "the biggest and broadest men we could get."

**INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE
SUSPENDED TILL JANUARY**
Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—President Wilson's industrial commission which is seeking a solution of present industrial unrest resumed Friday until January 12. It was announced that a preliminary statement of the commission's conditions would be issued in the near future. The public

New Mexico, and J. O. Miller, assistant, visited the local federal reserve bank Friday.

They were shown over the city by R. R. Gilbert, manager of the El Paso branch bank.

To Insist Officers.
Installation of officers for the Hamilton Fish chapter No. 2, Spanish Veterans, will be held the second Tuesday in January. The chapter will meet next Tuesday, according to an announcement made by Victor Koenig.

Foundation Completed.
The foundation of the federal reserve bank, opposite the city hall, has been completed. Cement work will begin next week.

Geography—Mrs. Armstrong, 416 Roberts-Banner, Office Ph. 1242, Res. 4565.

Speaks on Judaism.
Madame Bella Plesner, a Jewish lecturer, spoke Friday night at temple Mt. Sinai on "Judaism and the Present World Crisis." Rabbi Martin Zischka postponed his lecture on the high cost of living.

U. S. to Send Trade Embassies.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Assistant secretary Sweet and other department of commerce officials will leave late in February for a tour of the principal Central American and South American countries to promote trade relations between this country and the southern republics.

Trouble Avoid Trouble.
Leave baggage checks at Longwell's, or Telephone No. 1.

No Ships to Export Liquor.
New York, Dec. 20.—Distillers and other owners of alcoholic beverages according to export millions of gallons of whisky and other liquors from this and other eastern ports before January 15, when the national prohibition amendment becomes effective, but are meeting with great difficulty in getting freight and cargo space.

Indian Bill Passed.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—The Indian appropriation bill, reported Friday to the house, was reduced by the house committee from \$11,471,000, asked by government officials to \$11,400,000, which is approximately \$71,000 less than the amount for the current fiscal year.

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NEW YORK NURSES FORM UNION.
New York, Dec. 20.—Several hundred nurses in hospitals here have formed a union affiliated with the American Federation of Labor to be known as the Trained Nurses' association, local No. 28,451. The new organization's first act is to ask to be to present demands for a readjustment of hours and wages.

DISCHARGED OFFICERS GO ON RECORD FOR TRAINING.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Ninety-two percent of the temporary officers discharged recently from the army have gone on record as favoring universal military training. An official canvass of 2000 officers gave 1883 affirmative votes against 117 unfavorable.

Stand by Uncle Sam. Buy War Savings Stamps.—Adv.

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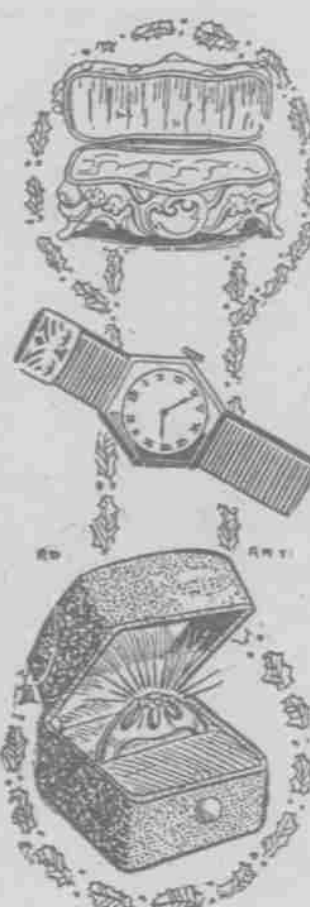
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Finally---

THE Hixson Christmas Service is prepared in a big way for the Final Days of Christmas Buying.

Never before have we shown such a varied stock of novelty gift items. Then too, our showing of regular lines is wonderfully complete.

Bracelet Watches

FROM among the hundreds of Hixson's Gift items which will bring lasting joy to any woman we call special attention to our present showing of Bracelet watches. Innumerable designs in Green, Hallmark, Elgin and Waltham Bracelet Watches makes your choice an easy matter.

Prices Range—

GOLD FILLED BRACELET WATCHES
RANGING \$22.50 TO \$40.00

14 KARAT GOLD BRACELET WATCHES
PRICES RANGING \$35.00 TO \$225.00

DIAMOND STUDDED PLATINUM WATCHES
PRICES RANGING FROM \$350.00 TO \$670.00

W. T. Hixson Co.

The Gift House of the Southwest

Mills and Mesa

The Hallmark Store



The Windows

Hixson's Christmas windows are marvels of beauty offering a wealth of happy suggestions for last minute shoppers.

Open Evenings

So as not to deprive people who find it impossible to buy during the day our store will be open each evening until Christmas.

Panic Reigns in Sofia
Following Red Victory

SALONIKI, Greece, Dec. 20.—

Bulgarian Bolsheviks have been successful in municipal elections held in Sofia, and newspapers in that city have appealed to the Bulgarian government to maintain order, according to advices received here. It is said that a virtual panic prevails in Sofia.

Billings Piano Company

"The House of Quality"

1429 East Boulevard



For the Real Xmas Spirit

These days, holiday joys are not confined to candles, wreaths, bells or even trees.

The celebration that is without music lacks real Christmas spirit.

The gift supreme is one that the proud possessor can let others enjoy.

We suggest the BRUNSWICK phonograph, plays all makes of records at their best. Or possibly a fine Piano or Playerpiano. We offer the old celebrated Wm. Knabe, Webster, Bradbury, Autopiano and other makes of pianos and players, only quality instruments specially adapted to this climate. Our low selling expense means low prices, and convenient terms of payment may be arranged.

Before you purchase a Piano, Player or Phonograph, take time to compare our instruments and prices with others.

Ask for our large list of satisfied customers.



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are Selling Fast

They always sell fast, but especially at Christmas time is the demand unusually large. The camera that represents the Standard of Excellence for all kinds of picture taking.

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Your gift list will never be filled unless there is a camera or two listed on it. For Ansco cameras are the universal gift for every member of the family.

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FACTORY REBUILT TIRES.

RIBBED TIRES.
1800 Mile Tires.

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